

SOC 206 Week 5: Learning Materials

Readings

Required reading for everyone in the class:

- [Chapter 8: Who Gets Environmental Justice? The Social Problem of Climate Change](#) - *Inequality and Interdependence: Social Problems and Social Justice* (2025) Open Oregon Educational Resources

Required Readings for the following groups:

- [\(Group 4\) Chapter 15: Population and the Environment](#) - Social Problems: Continuity and Change. (2016) (01 ed.). University of Minnesota Libraries Publishing. <https://doi.org/10.24926/8668.2301>

The Social Problems: Continuity and Change (2016) textbook often cites old data from the General Social Survey (GSS). Many of the statistics have changed since the book was published. As the GSS is administered to U.S. citizens every year, there is an online resource to see the latest social problems data.

To see updated data, go on the [GSS Data Explorer webpage](#), click on “Search Variables,” and type a keyword related to the topic of interest. Click on the variable of interest and it will show how people responded in all the years this survey question was asked. You can also click on the “Trends” tab and select a general area of interest to see a graphical representation of how the data has changed over time.